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Applicant : McCown et al.
Serial No. : 09/057,313
Filed : April 8, 1998
Title : CONTAINER TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM AND METHOD
Docket : 033449-002
Examiner : McAllister
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office action mailed August 26, 2002, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 25 such that it reads as follows:

25. (Five Times Amended) A method of transporting containers with a marine vessel comprising the steps of:

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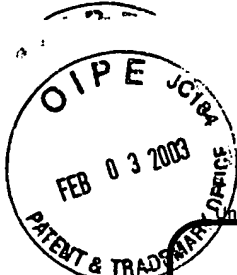
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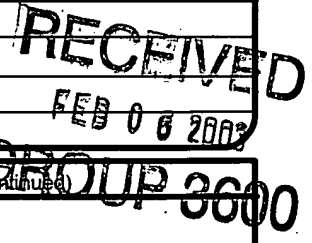
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